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SUBJ: NASA WIND TUNNEL MODEL

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1. APPEALING TO USG "UNDERSTANDING AND FRIENDSHIP", PORTUGUESE AIR FORCE (PAF) HAS REQUESTED BY LETTER DATED JULY 19 THAT, IF POSSIBLE, PAF BE ALLOWED TO KEEP NASA WIND TUNNEL MODEL PERMANENTLY.

2. PAF LETTER SAYS THAT BETWEEN 1964 AND 1972 THE MODEL WAS IN USE AT ITS SUPERIOR TECHNICAL INSTITUTE. SINCE THEN, IT HAS BEEN IN STORAGE. NOW THAT IT HAS ITS OWN ACADEMY (ESTABLISHED EARLIER THIS YEAR), PAF PROPOSES TO USE WIND TUNNEL MODEL IN ACADEMY'S ENGINEERING, AERODYNAMICS AND PILOT TRAINING COURSES.

3. IN VIEW OF MODEL'S HISTORIC VALUE TO NASA, WE FEEL SURE THAT PAF WOULD REACT SYMPATHETICALLY TO A REQUEST FOR ITS RETURN, PROVIDED SUITABLE SUBSTITUTE WERE MADE AVAILABLE. EMBASSY THEREFORE RECOMMENDS THAT WE BE AUTHORIZED TO TELL PAF THAT NASA IS INTERESTED IN MODEL'S RETURN FOR SMITH-SONIAN DISPLAY, BUT THAT RETURN WON'T BE REQUESTED UNTIL
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COMPARABLE SUBSTITUTE CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE TO PAF ON PERMANENT BASIS. IF NO RPT NO SUITABLE REPLACEMENT CAN BE LOCATED, AND UNLESS NASA HAS OVERRIDING NEED TO RETRIEVE THE MODEL NOW IN PAF'S POSSESSION, WE RECOMMEND THE MODEL BE DONATED TO PAF AS EVIDENCE OF USG SUPPORT FOR ONGOING PORTUGUESE ARMED FORCES RESTRUCTURING PROCESS. IN LATTER EVENT WE WOULD SEEK ASSURANCES FROM PAF THAT WHEN THE NASA

MODEL HAS CEASED TO SERVE DIDACTIC FUNCTION, IT EITHER
BE PLACED ON PERMANENT PUBLIC DISPLAY IN PORTUGAL OR
RETURNED TO THE U.S. PLEASE ADVISE.
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